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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Application:

| <u>APPLICATION NO.</u> | <u>FILING DATE</u> | <u>INVENTOR</u> |
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| 09/628,023 | July 28, 2000 | Shigeo Yamagata, et al. |

A copy of the above-cited application is enclosed.

FORMAL MATTERS

No fee is due in connection with this paper since it is being submitted before issuance of an Office Action.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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